

Cohasset Skippers Land In Tournament Semis

By Steve MacQuarrie

Cohasset arrived in the tournament semifinals with a pair of contrasting wins over Diman

Vocational and Martha's Vineyard. Tuesday's first-round victory over the Fall River trade school was largely decided by halftime as the Skippers, behind

the unconscious shooting of junior Mark Goff, outscored the Benglas 16-4 in a 3 minute second quarter stretch.

That gave Cohasset a 42-26 halftime lead which they expanded to 69-44 in the fourth quarter to remove all doubts as

to the outcome. Co-captain Matt Salerno led all scorers with 16 points, followed by Goff's 14 (in less than 4 minutes) and senior John Howley's 12.

Friday's quarterfinal win was as feverish as the previous game was temperate. For the first 20

minutes, Martha's Vineyard looked no tougher than Diman, despite the islander's sparkling 18-2 record. Shooting at an ordinary (for them) 55 percent accuracy rate, the Skippers ran off to a 30-19 half-time lead.

Midway through the third period, Martha's Vineyard began to pressure the Skippers more, using 9 third quarter Cohasset turnovers as the springboard to 13 straight points and a 40-40 tie early in the last quarter.

Cohasset had gone through similar late game clumsy spells in losses to Middleboro and Duxbury, and the specter of history repeating itself must have loomed in their minds. "I believed they'd come through, though," reflected coach John LeVangie after the game. "I just felt that the momentum would swing back at us. I told the kids to be patient — and they were."

Indeed. Six times Martha's Vineyard scored in the last period (4 of them on offensive rebounds). And six times Cohasset came back with a basket, the last one being a driving lay-up by co-captain Paul Farren that dropped through the net with 4 seconds left after the Skippers had calmly stalled away 42 of the last 46 seconds. "We'd run that play off the stall over and over in practice," said LeVangie, "but you never know how it'll work out in a game until you have to use it." Cohasset was also fortunate that Martha's Vineyard missed 6 of 8 foul shots in the last quarter and 12 of 20 overall.

Farren and fellow co-captain Salerno had 12 points apiece. The balanced Skipper attack also had Goff and Howley in double figures with 11 each while senior Brian Keating added 7, 5 in the hectic final period.

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Recreation Center Report

GUITAR LESSONS

The Recreation Department will accept registrations, via phone, for guitar lessons taught by recording artist Mark Minicolla.

Classes will be offered for beginner and intermediate adults (age 16 and over) and youth (Grade 4 to age 16). The fee is \$8 for 6, one-hour classes that will be held Monday nights beginning March 26.

If interested, please call the Recreation Office at 383-6791 before Friday, March 23. Classes are limited in size and will be filled on a first-call-first-enrolled basis. Non-residents will be accepted on a space available basis for \$1 extra charge, on Friday afternoon, March 24, only.

GYMNASTIC LESSONS

The Recreation Department will conduct gymnastic registration on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 13 and 14, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Recreation Department Office, first floor, Town Hall.

There will be a \$6 fee for the program with a 50% discount offered to 2 or more participants registering from the same family.

Classes will be offered in beginners, advanced beginners, intermediates and advanced levels of instruction. The program is open to both girls and boys who are currently in Grades 4-12.

Classes will be held as follows:

Beginners: Monday evening, 7-8 p.m., beginning March 19.

Advanced Beginners: Monday evening, 8-9 p.m., beginning March 19.

Intermediate: Wednesday evening, 7-8 p.m., beginning March 21.

Advanced: Wednesday evening, 8-9 p.m., beginning March 21.

All classes will be filled on a first-come-first enrolled basis, and class size will be limited to a maximum of 12 participants.

WEIGHT TRAINING PROGRAM

Late registrations for weight training and use of the Cohasset High School universal machine will be accepted this week only.

The fee for the six-week program is \$6 per person and is open to males and females aged 14 and over.

The program will meet Tuesday evenings, from 7-9 p.m. and Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. A qualified instructor will be on hand to help design an individual weight training program.

Interested individuals should call the Recreation Office at 383-6791 immediately.

WOMEN'S FITNESS

Registrations, via phone, will be accepted for Women's Fitness Classes. Classes will consist of use of the Universal Weight Training Machine at CHS, and group exercise on an alternating basis. Also, for those who are interested, organized jogging will be implemented into the program.

Catherine McArdle will instruct the eight-week program designed for women of all ages over 15 years. Individual workouts and exercise programs will be designed to meet specific needs and abilities.

The fee is \$6. Classes meet Thursday evenings, beginning March 22 at 7:30 p.m. The first class will meet at the Town Hall Auditorium and the second class, March 29, at the CHS weight room. Classes will alternate each week from the Town Hall (exercise groups) to CHS (universal weight machine).

CO-ED GRADE K-3 KICKBALL

Again this spring, the Recreation Department is interested in conducting Co-ed kickball for Grades K-3. In order to conduct this program, a number of adult and high school age volunteers will be needed to coach teams. The program will meet one afternoon a week (for coaches) after school, at the Osgood School field.

If you're interested in helping out with this program and can spare a couple of hours of time per week for 6-8 weeks, call the Recreation Office as soon as possible.



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